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PATENT

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Applicant: Wing-Cheong G. Lai et al.

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METHOD FOR THEIR FORMATION

EXAMINER INTERVIEW SUMMARY

Commissioner for Patents
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On or about February 12, 2004, Janal Kalis, attorney for applicant, contacted Examiner Quach regarding the possibility of expanding the claims allowed to further include claims 53 to 58, which depend from claim 52, an allowed claim.

Examiner Quach pointed out a problem, which is that claim 52, along with claims 53 to 58 had been withdrawn. The Examiner also pointed out that claims 53 to 58 were not included in the amendment after final. Thus, applicant's attorney had presented a withdrawn claim and the Examiner had allowed the claim.

Despite these issues, Examiner Quach kindly agreed to change the Restriction Requirement, restricting out claims 52-58 to remove this restriction and allow the claims 52-58 in the present application. Applicant has included a Pending Claim Set with this Summary as a courtesy to the Examiner.

Respectfully submitted,

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